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## **St. Louis County Department of Public Health COVID-19 Update**

### **New Symptoms**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has updated its list of symptoms for the coronavirus, adding six new possible indicators of the virus. The CDC now recognizes the following as possible symptoms for COVID-19 that may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus:

- Chills
- Repeated shaking with chills
- Muscle pain
- Headache
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell

Previously, the public health institute associated the symptoms of fever, cough and shortness of breath or difficulty breathing with the disease, as those are still considered in the list of COVID-19 symptoms.

### **New Testing Locations**

Beginning today, the St. Louis County Department of Public Health (DPH) will be providing limited COVID-19 testing to County residents. Those residents should have symptoms and meet testing criteria. The testing will occur at the John C. Murphy clinic, located at 6121 North Hanley Road in Berkeley, and the South County Health Center, located at 4580 South Lindbergh Boulevard in Sunset Hills.

The drive-through testing will be by appointment only. If you would like to be screened for an appointment, visit [www.stlcorona.com](http://www.stlcorona.com) or call (314)615-0574. Screening criteria prioritizes individuals with symptoms of COVID-19 who have risk factors for poor outcomes or are at particular risk for spreading illness to others if infected. While DPH's current testing capacity is limited, the goal is to expand testing in the community by utilizing additional funding as it becomes available.

### **Dignified Transfer Center**

The Dignified Transfer Center is currently accommodating five decedents. Four additional individuals have been through the center and transported to a crematorium or funeral home, at the request of family.



### **Contact Information**

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services hotline can be reached at (877)435-8411.

St. Louis County has created a website dedicated to the dissemination of information relating to COVID-19, [www.stlcorona.com](http://www.stlcorona.com). Please visit that website or those belonging to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) or the World Health Organization (WHO) for the most current and reputable information.



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